

**CITY OF LANGLEY
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
Langley City Hall
November 9, 2010**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Bob Waterman called the meeting to order at 3:02 pm.

ATTENDANCE

Members Present: Bob Waterman, Linda Beeman, Brena Rose Gustafson, Marty Fernandez, David Rogan-Levine

Members Absent: None (two vacancies)

Staff Present: Larry Cort

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Linda Beeman moved and Brena Rose Gustafson seconded to approve the October 12, 2010 minutes. MPU.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Mimi Sheridan Contract.** Bob Waterman reported that Mimi Sheridan has completed a draft of the nomination for the WPA building at the Fairgrounds.
2. **Plaques.** Linda Beeman informed the Commission that she is investigating several metal plaque options. Commission members discussed the importance of price and durability in selecting a final product. Options for funding were also considered, including the possibility of partnership with a non-profit to coordinate the plaque program. Larry Cort reported on the new Coupeville plaque program that was introduced at the Ebey's Forever conference.
3. **Middle School Nomination.** Bob Waterman distributed a letter from Leigh Anderson, president of the School Board, thanking him for his presentation on the Langley Register of Historic Places. The Board is not interested in pursuing nomination at this time but may decide to move ahead when there is a definitive plan for school district use of the Middle School.
4. **Other.** David Rogan-Levine reported on his investigation of ways to create an application to allow access to a Langley Walking Tour. He described possible techniques for making this happen, including a possible connection to a Langley GIS. The Commission discussed how content might be developed and links to other categories of interest such as businesses. Fred Evander of the City staff will try and arrange a meeting with Aaron Racicot and HPC members to discuss possibilities.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **New Members.** With the resignations of Cathy Blackburn and Jerry Finrow, there are now two vacancies on the Commission. There have been no applicants to date to fill these vacancies.
2. **Conservation District Code Amendment.** The Commission reviewed a draft prepared by Linda Beeman to initiate a public policy change to create a conservation district. Comments included the importance of defining what constitutes community character, how this work might relate to other boards and commissions, and what components of the district might be

subject to review. Larry Cort pointed out that the creation of the district would not require a vote at an election. Linda will make some adjustments in the draft for consideration next month.

3. **Building Nominations.** Bob Waterman expressed interest in having Commission members take on individual properties with respect to potential nomination. While there was general support for the need for direct outreach, Brena Rose Gustafson and David Rogan-Levine expressed concern about having the necessary materials to present to candidate property owners, including answers to specific questions on the consequences and benefits of being on the Register. Bob Waterman offered to generate a list of questions.
4. **“When Women Ran Langley” Talk.** Linda Beeman distributed flyers for Bob Waterman’s talk on December 9.

ADJOURN

Brena Rose Gustafson moved and Linda Beeman seconded to adjourn the meeting. MPU. The meeting adjourned at 4:51 p.m. The next regular Commission meeting will be held on December 14, 2010.

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